

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously Presented) A computer method for editing a form, comprising:
displaying a hyperlink for an element in the form, the form being a database query, to indicate to a user that a control is available for the element, said hyperlink including at least one hyperlink target, the hyperlink target identified by a link to a choice satisfying the element on the form, said hyperlink providing one of the group consisting of
 - (i) a link from the form to another location, wherein the another location is identified by a reference to valid variables in the hyperlink target and
 - (ii) a link from the form to another file, wherein the another file is identified by a reference to a selection of choices in the hyperlink target;upon a selection of the hyperlink by the user, presenting the control for user interaction; and
upon completion of user interaction with the control, replacing the element with a new element responsive to user action.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Canceled)
4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the element is part of a calculation.
5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the element is part of a formula.
6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the control is a list of choices.
7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein the list of choices is a pull-down menu.

8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the control is a dialog box.

9. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the control is a text entry field.

10. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

upon completion of user interaction with the control, replacing the element with a new element responsive to user action, wherein the control is selected from a group of controls consisting of a list, a dialog box and a text entry field.

11. (Previously Presented) A computer system for editing a form, comprising:

a user interface for displaying information to a user and for accepting input from the user;

a hyperlink displayed on the user interface for an element in the form, the form being a spreadsheet, to indicate to the user that a control is available for the element, said hyperlink including at least one hyperlink target, the hyperlink target identified by a link to a choice satisfying the element on the form, said hyperlink providing one of the group consisting of

(i) a link from the form to another location, wherein the another location is identified by a reference to valid variables in the hyperlink target and

(ii) a link from the form to another file, wherein the another file is identified by a reference to a selection of choices in the hyperlink target;

upon a selection of the hyperlink by the user, the control displayed on the user interface for user interaction; and

upon completion of user interaction with the control, a new element responsive to user action replacing the element.

12. (Original) The computer system of claim 11, wherein the control is selected from a group of controls consisting of a list, a dialog box and a text entry field.

13. (Currently Amended) A computer program product for editing a form, the form being

a database query, the computer program product comprising a computer usablestorage medium having computer readable code thereon, including program code which:

displays a hyperlink for an element in the form, to indicate to a user that a control is available for the element, said hyperlink including at least one hyperlink target, the hyperlink target identified by a link to a choice satisfying the element on the form, said hyperlink providing one of the group consisting of

(i) a link from the form to another location, wherein the another location is identified by a reference to valid variables in the hyperlink target and

(ii) a link from the form to another file, wherein the another file is identified by a reference to a selection of choices in the hyperlink target;

upon a selection of the hyperlink by the user, presents the control for user interaction; and

upon completion of user interaction with the control, replaces the element with a new element responsive to user action.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Canceled)

16. (Canceled)

17. (Previously Presented) The computer of claim 11, wherein the element is part of a calculation.

18.(Previously Presented) The computer of claim 11, wherein the element is part of a formula.

19. (Previously Presented) The computer of claim 11, wherein the control is a list of choices.

20. (Previously Presented) The computer of claim 19, wherein the list of choices is a pull-down menu.
21. (Previously Presented) The computer of claim 11, wherein the control is a dialog box.
22. (Previously Presented) The computer of claim 11, wherein the control is a text entry field.
23. (Canceled)
24. (Canceled)
25. (Previously Presented) The computer program product of claim 13, wherein the element is part of a calculation.
26. (Previously Presented) The computer program product of claim 13, wherein the element is part of a formula.
27. (Previously Presented) The computer program product of claim 13, wherein the control is a list of choices.
28. (Previously Presented) The computer program product of claim 27, wherein the list of choices is a pull-down menu.
29. (Previously Presented) The computer program product of claim 13, wherein the control is a dialog box.
30. (Previously Presented) The computer program product of claim 13, wherein the control is a text entry field.

31. (Previously Presented) The computer program product of claim 13, further comprising program code which:

upon completion of user interaction with the control, replaces the element with a new element responsive to user action, wherein the control is selected from a group of controls consisting of a list, a dialog box and a text entry field.

32. - 50. (Canceled)